

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-49. (canceled)

50. (previously added) A device for receiving compressed digital data, the device comprising:

a receiver for receiving the compressed digital data;

a decoder for decoding the received compressed digital data to provide decoded digital data;

a first output terminal for providing the received compressed digital data to an external device through a bi-directional data communication line;

a second output terminal for providing the decoded digital data to the external device through a one way data communication line; and

a controller for controlling said device in accordance with a connection state between said device and the external device such that either said first output terminal provides the received compressed digital data to the external device, or said second output terminal provides the decoded digital data to the external device.

51. (previously added) The device of claim 50, further comprising:

a digital-to-analog converter for converting the decoded digital data to an analog output signal; and

a third output terminal for providing the analog output signal to the external device.

52. (previously added) The device of claim 51, wherein additional information is multiplexed with the compressed digital data; and wherein the additional information is provided with the received compressed digital data to the external device when the received compressed digital data is provided to the external device through said first output terminal, while the additional information is not provided to the external device when the decoded digital data is provided to the external device through said second output terminal or the analog output signal is provided to the external device through said third output terminal.

53. (previously added) The device of claim 50, wherein said controller carries out control so that a connection between said first output terminal and the external device is preferentially selected.

54. (previously added) A method for use in a device for receiving compressed digital data, the method comprising:

receiving the compressed digital data;

decoding the received compressed digital data to provide decoded digital data;

selecting one of first and second output terminals in accordance with a connection state between the device and an external device;

when the first output terminal is selected, providing the received compressed digital data to the external device through a bi-directional data communication line; and

when the second output terminal is selected, providing the decoded digital data to the external device through a one way data communication line.

55. (previously added) The method of claim 54, wherein the selecting step selects one of first, second and third output terminals, the method further comprising:

converting the decoded digital data into an analog output signal; and

when the third output terminal is selected, providing the analog output signal to the external device.

56. (previously added) The method of claim 55, wherein additional information is multiplexed with the compressed digital data, the method further comprising:

providing the additional information together with the received compressed digital data to the external device when the received compressed digital data is provided to the external device through the first output terminal, wherein the additional information is not provided to the external device when the decoded digital data is provided to the external device through the second output terminal or the analog output signal is provided to the external device through the third output terminal.

57. (previously added) The method of claim 54, wherein the selecting step preferentially selects the first output terminal.

58. (previously added) A device for receiving compressed digital data, the device comprising:

a receiver for receiving the compressed digital data;

a decoder for decoding the received compressed digital data to provide decoded digital data;

a converter for converting the decoded digital data into an analog output signal;

a first output terminal for providing the received compressed digital data to an external device through a bi-directional data communication line;

a second output terminal for providing the decoded digital data to the external device through a one way data communication line;

a third output terminal for providing the analog output signal to the external device; and

C1 a controller for controlling said device in accordance with a connection state between said device and the external device such that either said first output terminal provides the received compressed digital data to the external device, or said second output terminal provides the decoded digital data to the external device, or said third output terminal provides the analog output signal to the external device.

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